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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI VS

SUBJ: POSSIBLE CEASEFIRE VIOLATION

REF: SAIGON 11377

1. I RAISED WITH THE PRIME MINISTER THIS MORNING THE " ULTIMATUM"
WHICH GENERAL TOAN IS ALLEGED TO HAVE TRIED TO PASS TO THE OTHER
SIDE WITH REGARD TO THE BOMBING OF BEN HET IF THEY DO NOT WITHDRAW
FROM THE VILLAGES THEY PRESENTLY HOLD WEST OF KONTUM. I NOTED
THAT OUR INFORMATION ON THIS ULTIMATUM WAS FAR FROM RELIABLE,
BUT THAT THE CARRYING OUT OF ANY PLAN OF THIS KIND WOULD BE A
BLATANT VIOLATION OF THE CEASE- FIRE AND I HOPED OUR INFORMATION
WAS FAULTY.

2. THE PRIME MINISTER AGREED WITH ME THAT THE BOMBING OF BEN
HET IN RETALIATION FOR CONTINUED VC/ NVA MILITARY ACTIVITY WEST OF
KONTUM WOULD BE A MISTAKE. HE SAID HE WOULD BRING THIS MATTER TO
GENERAL VIEN' S ATTENTION AND GET TOAN OFF THIS WICKET.
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